Application No. 10/772,102

REMARKS

Claims 1-14, 16-20, 23-28 and 32-40 are pending. By this Amendment, claims 27 and 28 are amended. In particular claims 27 and 28 are amended for consistency with the amendment of claim 16 in the Amendment After Final. No new matter is introduced by the amendments. Applicants thank the Examiner for noting in the Advisory Action the discrepancy in the claims.

CONCLUSIONS

In view of the foregoing, it is submitted that this application is in condition for allowance. Favorable consideration and prompt allowance of the application are respectfully requested.

The Examiner is invited to telephone the undersigned if the Examiner believes it would be useful to advance prosecution.

Respectfully submitted,

) & Dard

Peter S. Dardi, Ph.D.

Registration No. 39,650

Customer No. 24113
Patterson, Thuente, Skaar & Christenson, P.A. 4800 IDS Center
80 South 8th Street
Minneapolis, Minnesota 55402-2100

Telephone: (404) 949-5730